

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 2, 4-7, and 14-16 remain in this application. Claims 1, 3, and 8-13 have been canceled. Claims 2, 4-7, and 14-16 have been amended.

Claims 8-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 8-12 have been canceled.

The Examiner objected to claims 4-7 and 14-16 as being dependent upon a rejected but indicated they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 4-7 and 14-16 have been amended to be in independent form and to include all the limitations of the corresponding base claim and any intervening claims and are therefore allowable as is claim 2 which depends from claim 4.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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